

Mark Lane, talk at Contra Costa College, San Pablo, Calif.

Notes:

Reluctant witnesses like David Chandler who appealed to federal courts in New Orleans to save them from testifying before the grand jury when subpoenaed by Garrison, always asked for a temporary injunction, which cannot be appealed. The federal court always waited until just before the grand jury's term expired before granting a permanent injunction, which can be appealed, but the question had become moot when the grand jury term ended.

Said Shaw attorneys only that day had said they were considering an unprecedented motion in federal court asking that his case be transferred to federal court. Lane said he had just received the information by phone from New Orleans. Said that if the motion is granted this will end the case

Said a recent Evans and Novak column said Ramsey Clark had admitted that statements he made regarding the King murder were not true, that he knew they were not true when he made them, but that they were necessary to preserve the national tranquillity.

After publication of the story on Garrison's alleged psychiatric discharge, two Army officers went to New Orleans to see him, telling him the Army takes care of its own, offering to provide documents proving the story false, and saying they were willing to appear at a press conference if he wished. He declined, saying he would not bother answering this type of story.

Lane said that in the first two years after he became involved in the JFK case he received more than 100 death threats.

Said Jack Anderson told someone in the Senate that the Drew Pearson column about the CIA plot against Castro that bounced against JFK was based on a handout from the CIA, ostensibly as a signal to Bobby that the CIA was not afraid to release basic information as well.

Re U.S. Atty. Bress in Washington, it is his duty as representative of the DA of NO to present the certificate (for the Allen Dulles subpoena) to a court in WX. His refusal to do so was totally unprecedented, and is the first time the federal government has been known to interfere with the serving of a subpoena.

Regarding the Johnny Carson show 31 January 1968, after NBC first stipulated Garrison could go on if he'd debate a member of the Warren Commission (and he replied: "Delighted. When?") Carson was unable to get any commission member to appear and then could find no commission lawyer who would. In the week following the show, Garrison received 2,300 letters, every one supporting him.

Earlier, 7 May 1968, on the Owen Spann show, an interview with Lane and Bill Turner, Spann confirmed that his station, KGO, had been asked not to permit any questions to Bobby Kennedy about the assassination.